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April 27, 2022

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Chair House Appropriations Committee H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting \$2,000,000 for Akron Children's Hospital Beeghly Campus Emergency Department Expansion for Children's Hospital Medical Center of Akron in Fiscal Year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Children's Hospital Medical Center of Akron, located at One Perkin Square, Akron, Ohio 44308. The physical address of the project location is Akron Children's Hospital Beeghly Campus, Boardman 6505 Market St, Boardman, OH 44512.

Located within the Appalachian Region, Akron children's Hospital Beeghly Campus in Boardman, Ohio is the only pediatric hospital located in the Mahoning Valley and has served as the flagship pediatric hospital for a five-county region since its opening in 2008. Emergency visits in the area have doubled over the last quarter century, and current monthly volumes regularly exceed capacity for the existing Emergency Department (ED) space, so the requested funds would be used to make much needed renovations to expand the ED. This expansion would create 20 full-time jobs and would increase current space from 17 standard rooms to 23 family-centered care patient rooms with space for 6 more rooms and increase the ED's square footage from 8,300 to 30,800. This serves as a good use of taxpayer dollars by improving access to healthcare services for children and families in a medically underserved area.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tim Ryan

Member of Congress